



Sunday 6 January 2019: The Epiphany

TODAY'S SERVICES:

8:00am	Eucharist	Fr Simon Vivian
9:30am	Sung Eucharist	Pr Fr Simon Vivian
6:00pm	Evening Prayer	Fr Tim Pilkington

Hymns: 47; 50 (tune 338); 52; 49

First Reading, read by Michael Below Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall

be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

Psalm 72,



Give the king your judgements, O God, and your righteousness to the son of a king. Then shall he judge your people righteously and your poor with justice. May the mountains bring forth peace and the little hills righteousness for the people. **Response: May all nations be blest in him**

May he defend the poor among the people; deliver the children of the needy and crush the oppressor. May he live as long as the sun and moon endure, from one generation to another. **Response: May all nations be blest in him**

May he come down like rain upon the mown grass like showers that water the earth. In his time shall the righteousness flourish; and abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more. **Response**

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute; the kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring gifts. All kings shall fall down before him; all nations shall do him service. **Response**

Gospel **Matthew 2: 1-12**

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.'

When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."'

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared.

Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.'

When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Intercessions led by Rob Halls

	+ Alan, Bp of St Albans +Justin, Archbishop The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia, and Bishops Philip Richardson, Don Tamihere, and Fereimi Cama.
Sick & Bereaved	<i>Long term:</i> Christina Billington, Judith Hill, Yvonne Rix, Margaret Taylor, Len Bennett, Priscilla Watt <i>and immediate:</i> Diane Luckraft, Keith Dawson, John and Philip Jennings, Julie Painter, Peter Lindley, Lorna Sargaison, Audrey Blunt
RIP	
Memorial	Frank Norman, James Anderson

WEEKDAY SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK:

Morning Prayer Monday 9:00am; Tuesday 9:00am at All Saints Shrublands Road;
Wednesday 8:00am; Thursday & Friday 9:00am

Eucharist Tuesday 9:30am at All Saints' Shrublands Road; Wednesday 8:30am
in St Peters

Evening Prayer Monday – Friday 5:00pm; Saturday 6:00pm

NOTICES

CONFIRMATION CONGRATULATIONS: Last night at St Christopher's Church, Luton, Oliver Fradgley was confirmed by Bishop Alan. We wish him well for his continuing journey of faith, and send our best wishes to both Oliver and his fiancée Candice ahead of their nuptial mass in St Peter's later this month.

We are delighted to announce that the collection from the crib services raised £1486.30 for the Children's Society.

BUILDING WORK continues in the Court House after Christmas. Please DO NOT PARK in the church car park during the day.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE 2019: Our annual pilgrimage to The Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham will take place from Friday April 26th until Monday April 29th and will be led by Fr. Simon. Please contact Philippa Seldon - philippa@seldon.eu - for a form and all details.

THE FOLLOWING NEXT MEET AS SHOWN:

Sundays Together Lunch	Carolynne Charman 869003	12:30pm in the Court House. For anyone on their own on a Sunday.	Sun 6 Jan
Tuesday Club	Rosslyn Laidler 879992	10:30am coffee at Bill's (morning out.)	Tues 8 Jan
Mothers' Union	Margaret Burbidge 862139	AGM: 2:30pm, 17 Hall Park	Tues 15 Jan
Little Fishes	Tracy Robinson 863559	Fridays in term time: 9:30-11:30am Court House. <i>With today: Service 10:00am in St Peter's</i>	Fri Jan 11

PEW LEAFLET notices copy-ready & rota swaps **by 2pm Wednesday please**
THE PARISH OFFICE IS STILL CLOSED FOR BUILDING WORK UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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Parish Office: Irregular hours until building work is completed.

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